

O The Wise And The Learned

When my wife and I served senior missions for the LDS church, one of which was working with the CES (Church Education System) as seminary and institute directors, this was probably my favorite scripture:

28) O that **cunning plan** of the evil one! O the vainness, and the frailties, and the **foolishness of men!** **When they are learned they think they are wise, and they hearken not unto the counsel of God, for they set it aside, supposing they know of themselves, wherefore, their wisdom is foolishness and it profiteth them not. And they shall perish.**

29) But to be learned is good **IF** they hearken unto the counsels of God. -2 Nephi 9

This brings to mind the scripture in the New Testament as saying:

5) Having a form of godliness, but **denying the power thereof: from such turn away...**

7) **Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.** -2 Timothy 3

Of what worth are things that NEVER really brought or bring the recipients unto Christ? All they have done and continue to do is cause mists of darkness and help form GREAT and ABOMINABLE churches, and lay groundwork for our day's darkness. They support the devil's plan of carnal security.

Again, of what worth are a bunch of journals, legends, and LDS church histories that cast doubts and questions on the ONE AND ONLY TRUE GOD, JESUS CHRIST and the fulness of His gospel contained in the original Book Of Mormon? Do we believe Smith's "revelations" are the true word of God? He opened the door for people to follow dubious works causing them to wander in strange paths and getting lost in mists of darkness.

29) He commandeth that there shall be no priestcrafts; for, behold, **priestcrafts are that men preach and set themselves up** for a light unto the world, that they may **get gain and praise** of the world; **but** they seek not the welfare of Zion. -2 Nephi 26

IMO we should be very weary of ANYONE who wants you to admire things in ANYWAY that are not endorsed by Christ in the Book Of Mormon and Bible: in that order.